

UT Health Science Center - RETIREE ASSOCIATION

POSTSCRIPTS

September, 2009

General Membership Meeting

- WHEN:** Thursday, **September 17**, 2009
- TIME:** 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- WHERE:** Room 305, Student Alumni Center
- LUNCH:** Reservations Only
Call June Medvec, 901-837-1423, to make reservations. Family members and guests are welcome.
- COST:** \$7 (First time attendees receive free meal.)
- PARKING:** **NOTE THE SAC GARAGE IS CLOSED FOR RENOVATION.** Free parking is available in V lot.
- PROGRAM:** **Speaker - Jim Covington**
Vice President of Logistics and Aerotropolis Development, Chamber of Commerce.

DO YOU HAVE NEWS?

Please send any items of interest for Postscripts to Carolyn Gibson, Editor. E Mail to cgibson@utmemb.edu or send by snail mail to 2686 Meadow Hill Cove, Germantown, TN 31838.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

2009 LUNCHEON MEETING DATES
SEPTEMBER 17
DECEMBER 11

ID BADGES REQUIRED !!

Retirees must have UT ID Badges to enter the SAC. Badges are free and may be procured at the UT Campus Police Office

From the President

Greetings and a Happy Late Summer to all! I hope everyone had a nice vacation from their retirement.

We have a lot of business to conduct at the next meeting, Thursday, September 17th. Ray Tanner has worked long and hard to revise the Retiree Association Constitution and By-Laws, and we owe him our sincere thanks. Will everyone please look at the revision that is in the Postscripts so we can vote on the proposed changes?

Also, we will have an election of new officers. June Medvec will finish her term as Secretary; and Teavell Cannon and Ed Orr have served faithfully for four years as At-Large Board Members. They all deserve our gratitude and appreciation for their hard work. We also have to replace the Vice President who will become the President next year. Please be prepared to nominate candidates for these offices from the floor, and to vote.

Our thanks also to Morris Robbins for arranging the speaker for the meeting, Mr. Jim Covington of the Chamber of Commerce. In addition, Richard Nollan will give us a short update on the 2011 Celebration and how the Retirees Association can participate.

So, as you can see, it will be a full and busy meeting. I'm looking forward to seeing you all there.

Harry Mincer

ARE YOU WILLING TO SERVE?

The Executive Committee of the UT Retirees Board is eager to involve all retirees in the governing process. Non-faculty retirees are sought to serve in leadership roles as: At-Large Members, Secretary, or Vice President. If you are willing to serve in one of these capacities, or if you wish to nominate a Retiree Association member for one of these important roles, please contact President, Harry Mincer, or come to the September 17 meeting prepared to make nominations from the floor! Call Harry with your suggestions (901-754-4991) or E mail him, hmincer@utmemb.edu. If you are willing to serve in any of the above capacities, you may certainly nominate yourself!

RECENT RETIREES

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!!

Pierce, Carolyn Jean Sanford, Service Supervisor II, Dietary

Jones, Phyllis Elaine Gordon, Clinical Assistant I, Laboratory Services

Moss, Delores T. Williams, Senior Custodian, Physical Plant- Custodial

Wagner, Jackie Drosten, Administrative Support Assistant III, IT Network

Haynes, Mary Ruth, Medical Affairs Research Associate, Psychiatry

Arreola, Raoul, Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences

Nicholson, Dorothy Robinson, Coordinator I, Pediatrics

Lewis, Annie, Administrative Coordinator, Continuing Education Medicine

Gerald, Barry, Professor, Radiology

Burghen, George Andrew, Professor, Pediatrics

Carruth, Kenneth R., Professor, Pediatric Dentistry

Bradley, Ronald J., Professor, Psychiatry

Holland, Joyce Lancaster, IT Team Leader, ITS Infrastructure

Spikes, James, Director, Continuing Medical Education

Wyatt, Patricia D., Asst. Dean & Assoc, Professor, College of Allied Health Sciences

Rosenberg, Elias William, Professor, Dermatology, Medicine

Madey, Margaret Anne, Research Nurse Coordinator, Gastroenterology, Medicine

Herrod, Henry G., Professor, Pediatrics

REMINDERS:

* UT Retirees may use the UT Recreation and Fitness Center free of charge. For hours of operation and other information, call 448-5612.

* ID Badges are required to enter the SAC. Retirees may obtain badges at no charge at the UT Campus Police Office. See Sgt. Avis before any Thursday luncheon meeting to have your free ID Badge made.

* Visit the UT Retirees webpage for current notices and for past issues of PostScripts. Go to: <http://www.utmemo.edu/retirees/>

*G (Garage) parking building is still under renovation and will not be open for the September luncheon meeting. There may be parking spaces available in the V (Visitors) lot across from the parking Garage.

*PLAN TO ATTEND the September 17 luncheon meeting to vote on changes to the Retirees Constitution as printed in this PostScripts issue.

DON'T MISS UTHSC EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY!

"UT's People, UT's Talent, UT's Strength"

The Office of Equity and Diversity is making great plans for an event filled with food, games and prizes for UTHSC faculty, staff, and **retirees!** Scheduled for **Wednesday, October 14**, from 10AM until 3PM in Forrest Park, Dr. Jan Simek, UT Interim President, will assist in serving during the **luncheon hours from 11AM until 1:30PM.**

There will be a registration line for retirees; please bring your UT Identification badge.

For additional information about Appreciation Day, contact Cynthia Tooley, Employee Relations Coordinator at 901-448-2112 or ctooley@utmemo.edu

IN MEMORIAM

Leila Charlotte "Bitsy" Jennings, February 11, 2009, Business/Accounting

David Howard Knott, M.D., May 22, 2009, Professor, former Chief of Staff Memphis Mental Health Institute

Thomas David Sisk, M.D., July 9, 2009, Professor and Chair, UT Campbell Clinic Department of Orthopaedics 1970-1993



RETIREE SPOTLIGHT

A fond memory:
Teavell Cannon accepting the Lichterman Award from Chancellor Dr. James Hunt.



The spotlight is shining on Teavell Cannon who retired from UTHSC in 1990 from his position as laboratory assistant after 35 years of service. For over ten years, Teavell has been active on the UT Retirees Board as an At-Large member. During his years at UT, Teavell was honored for his service when he won the Lichterman Award. He also received special recognition for his work from Governor Ned McWherter.

Since retiring, Teavell's days are busy during the summer months working a garden where he raises peas, okra, squash, and tomatoes. The crops are so large that Teavell has a freezer full of produce for the winter.

A regular at the Senior Citizens Center where he is also a volunteer, Teavell enjoys the exercise programs, pool, and other recreational activities. Teavell sings in the Shiloh Baptist sanctuary choir and also in the male chorus. For several years after his retirement, Teavell was a volunteer host and greeter at the UT Bowld Hospital. His favorite thing about retirement is "not having to worry about getting to a job on time."

Teavell has seven grown children and seven grandchildren: his youngest daughter attends college at Tennessee State University.

CONSTITUTION *THE RETIREES ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER*

ARTICLE I. Name

The name of the organization is The Retirees Association of The University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC). Hereinafter called the Association.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

The purpose of the Association is to provide means for UTHSC retirees to: maintain fellowship, advance mutual interests, and support and remain an integral part of UTHSC.

ARTICLE III. Membership

Section 1. All faculty (including volunteer faculty) and all staff members who have retired from UTHSC are eligible for membership.

Section 2. Affiliate membership is available to spouses/companions of retirees.

Section 3. Honorary membership may be bestowed upon selected individuals by a majority vote of the membership.

ARTICLE IV. Officers

Section 1. President

The President shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Association. The President shall preside at membership meetings; shall be a non-voting exofficio member of all committees; shall serve as the primary liaison between the Association and the UTHSC administration and the university office providing staff support for the Association; shall assure that the Constitution is reviewed at least every two years and revised as appropriate; shall assure new retirees are invited to join the Association and assure that a database of retirees is maintained. The President's term of office shall be one year. Re-election as Vice President is permitted only after a three year period has elapsed.

Section 2. Vice President/President Elect

The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of the President. Such disability shall be

decided by the Executive Committee. He/She shall serve as the program chairperson and shall arrange for all meeting programs. His/Her term of office is one year. He/She will become President the next year.

Section 3. Secretary

The Secretary shall be responsible for the minutes of the meetings of the Association and the Executive Board; for keeping records of the Association's history, including minutes, treasurer's reports, meeting attendance, and newsletters; for sending out notices for Executive Board meetings; and for making physical arrangements for the regular quarterly meetings. His/her term of office shall be two years with only two consecutive terms permitted.

Section 4. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall supervise all receipts and expenditures, be in charge of financial arrangements at all meetings and events, maintain bank account(s) and certificates of deposit for the Association, submit a written annual report, provide financial record updates to the Executive Board, and provide the Secretary with Treasurer's reports. His/her term of office shall be two years with only two consecutive terms permitted. No bonding of the treasurer is required.

Section 5. Chairman of the Board

The Chairman of the Board shall be the immediate past President, and shall chair the Executive Board.

Section 6. Vacancy of Office

In the event that a vacancy occurs in the offices of the President, Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer, prior to completion of their full term, the Chairman of the Board with approval of the Executive Board may appoint another member to serve the unexpired term. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Chairman of the Board prior to completion of his/her full term, then the President shall assume these duties as well as his/her own for the balance of the term.

ARTICLE V. Committees

Section 1. Executive Board (A Standing Committee)

The Executive Board shall consist of the four elected officers, the immediate past president, chairs of all appointed committees, a minimum of six at-large members, and the UTHSC administrative support person. The Executive Board conducts the business of the Association between its quarterly meetings, and determines the locations and dates for quarterly meetings and for Executive Board meetings. All members have voting privileges but the Chairman of the Board may only vote to break a tie vote among the other members.

Section 2. Ad-hoc Committees

The President, with approval of the Executive Board, may appoint such Ad-Hoc committees as, in his/her judgment, the interests of the Association may require. He/She shall prescribe the duties of such committees.

ARTICLE VI. Meetings

Quarterly Association meetings shall be held in the months of March, June, September and December. Persons eligible for membership may attend one meeting only without paying annual dues.

ARTICLE VII. Dues

Annual dues for all categories of membership may be set each calendar year by vote of a simple majority of the members present at an Association meeting. The dues paid by a member will automatically include affiliate membership for the member's spouse/companion. A lifetime membership fee for a retiree and spouse/companion may be established by vote of a simple majority of the members present at an Association meeting. Dues will be due and payable on a calendar year basis (January - December). If a member has not paid his/her dues by the end of the June meeting each year he/she will be dropped. Dropped members may be reinstated by the simple act of paying the current year's dues. If a retiree joins after the June meeting, no dues will be assessed for that partial year.

ARTICLE VIII. Elections

The Vice-President and two at-large Executive Board members shall be elected each year. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected every second year. The at-large Executive Board members shall serve for a three-year term. They may not serve more than two consecutive terms, but will be eligible to serve again after being off the Board for two years. Elections will be held annually at the September meeting.

ARTICLE IX. Amendments

Section 1. Proposed amendments to this Constitution, after approval by the Executive Committee, must be posted on the Retirees Association website at least two weeks prior to the quarterly meeting at which they are to be submitted for a vote of the membership.

Section 2. Adoption of an amendment shall require an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.

Section 3. The Secretary is authorized to modify this Constitution in accordance with title changes made by UTHSC, without requiring a vote by the membership.

Memphis, Tennessee

Adopted Sept. 15, 1987

Last revised Sept., 2009